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#### CHAP. I.

Of the reasons for which the Emperour FFRD INAND, the second, bath alwaies kept his Court at Vienna.



N treating of the State, of the late Emperour Ferro I NAND the feeond, It is first of all to bee considered; that his Imperiall Majesty, from the beginning of his raigne to the end of his life, did ever keepe his constant Residence in the City of Vienna; as well for the

commodious Scituation, and pleasantnesse of the place; plenty of foode, and all other necessaries for man; and B

the adjoyning Forrests and Woods, most sit for hunting, and other neighbouring places of pleasure; the chiefe of which are, Brater, Begelboff, Newgebew, Caterburg, Ebersdorff, Laxemburg, Wolckers dorff, Orth, Closter Newburg, or the Monastery of Neoburg, Newstat, &c. As also (chiefly, since these long, and yet continued, watres in Germany,) by reason of the strength of the City, and that his Imperial Majesty being there was in a manner safely compassed by the rest of his hereditary Kingdomes, & Principalities, from whence hee might, in case of need, with more conveniency derive assistance: And lastly, for the benefit of the two navigable Rivers of Ehn and Dannbe, by which all necessaries for the Imperial Court, may from other places of the German Empire and from Italy, be the more easily furnished and brought thither.

#### CH AP. 2.

Of the Scituation, circuit, and fortification of Vienna; of the Danube; of the Garison, Suburbs, Ecclesiastical Inrisation, the Bishop, the University, Civill and Politique governmen, the Lieutenent; and of the Castle of Vienna; in which the Emperour keepes his Court.

The City of Vienna, is the Metropolis of the Lower Austria, as the Towne of Lintz is of the upper. In both which places now, almost every yeare, and sometimes (when necessity requires) there are often in one yeare held Assemblies of each province, in which as to the lawfull Prince and Lord of the Country, when hee doth fairely aske it, are often granted and presented by the subjects many hundred thousand crownes to his Imperial Majesty.

The City it selfe is seated in somewhat a pleasant plaine

plaine, and in a soile which is naturally most fruitfull and good for Corne and Wine, and all other kinde of Food and fruites, upon the bankes of the Danube; which although indeed it be but a branch of the maine Danube, yet at the season of the yeare, when the River is high, it is capable of good ordinary vessels. But when the River decreaseth, the ships are forced to stay above at Nusdorff, a league from the City, and sometimes two leagues higher, at the Monastery of Newburg. About halfe a quarter of a German league from the City, towards Moravia, are likewise three other streames, and for the most part, large and navigeable armes of the great River Danube; over which are layd five bridges, which for the greater security of the City, if need require, may be taken downe.

On the South fide of the City there is a little River, or rather a Torrent, of the name of the City, called Vienna; which rifeth out of the Westerne mountaines, and is subject to sudden overflowing by raine and Landwaters: it drives some Mills, and falls into the Danube, not farre from the Towne ditch. Towards the South and North, it runnes like an arme of the Danube, and on the West, it leaves behind it the hills and mountaines looking towards the Vpper Austria.

The City is in compasse about halfe a German league, and is beautified with many faire and spacious places, and markets, and with other lesse, and it hath some faire streets, with many goodly and stately buildings, which notwithstanding are commonly more for shew than

conveniency.

For the fortification of the City, it will suffice in this place briefly to declare, that it is strengthned and fortified with sixe principall Gates, and ten great Bulwarkes;

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The greatest part of which Bulwarks, and some of them at the expence of the Empire, are built up a good height of Bricke, and filld within with earth; and some also towards the East and South, (whereby the City might be the more defensible) have good Casamats, well raised and repaired. About ten yeares since, his Imperiall Majesty caused a very great intire Bulwarke to be raised of earth, almost right over against the Imperiall Court, or Archducall Castle, for the greater security thereof, because the Castle heretofore, had been e in that place but weakely fortissed. Two yeares since, the former Bulwarke, which looketh towards the South, and towards the West, was strongly new built.

The Scottish Bulwarke cast up of earth onely, is now well lined with a strong wall, and made equals to the rest

of the Bulwarkes.

Towards the East is a gate, commonly called Strubenthor: Towards the South, the Carnithian gate; and the Castle gate, called, Burgthor; towards the West, the South gate, and the new gate; towards the North, the gate of the red Tower, called in Dutch der Roche Thum: The Castle gate, the Carinthian gate, the New gate, and the gate called Strubenthor, are the strongest, all arched, very high and stately, with large passages; the other two are are onely Towers.

To compasse the City from the Gate called Strubenther, to goe to the gate of the red Tower, you must passe first neare a Bulwarke built of Free-stone, with two high and battel'd Casamats, the higher of which doth almost touch the Dominicans Temple, the height

whereof exceeds this Bulwarke and Casamats.

Thence you come to another Bulwarke strongly covered with a Bricke-wall, which (as the former) is envi-

environed with reasonable deepe ditches.

From this Bulwark, on the left fide of the towne, are feene some little and low double Walls, reaching to an outward Gate; but on the right hand, neare the towne, doth runne the Danube, on which is built a bridge of

wood, commonly called Schlagbruck.

This outward Gate leads to a broad street, where the City is somewhat naked: For on the left hand there are very low Walls onely, and on the right hand nothing but the Danube, which one may sometimes ride over; and some fortifications, which are built on the bankes thereof, towards the red Tower, and surther towards the other outward gate, neere which the street is narrower. From this Gate, the City is encompassed on the left hand, with long strong high Walls, on which these little watch-houses are built, which reach to the Armory, and thence to the next Bulwarke. It hath also a drawbridge. The third Bulwarke is great and stately, (but wants ditches and water) and a good part of the middle of the upper Wall is fallen downe and wants repaire.

Thence to the New gate, which hath broad but shallow ditches, without water, Henry Matthew, the elder Count of Turne, in Anno 1619. Would have planted a petard to this Gate, and with his horse which then

lodg'd at Eber [dorff, attempted to take the City.

Thence to the fourth Bulwark, which likewise wants mending and repaire. From this Bulwarke, the Rampire is very high, with a little Wall upon it, towards the Scotch gate, and there the Towne-ditch is very deepe, but without water. Thence the same kind of Rampire and ditch extends unto the next fift Bulwarke. This Bulwarke was onely cast up of earth, but now of late is built up from the ground with a Bricke wall, and is re-

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duced to an orderly forme and proportion, and by that meanes the City is the better fortified in that place. The Bohemian foote Regiment of Tieffenbach, who were then commanded by the faid elder Count of Turne, remained not farre from the City in a Village called Hoernals, if the designe had taken effect and had not beene discovered by a Patriot, by this Bulwark should have entred and

taken the City.

This same high Rampire lined with Bricke walls, in the ditches, at that place very deepe, but without water, passet along towards and behind the fixt Bulwarke, over which the present Governour of the Towne, Baron Lobell, hath caused a little garden, with a house of pleasure to be built, according to the bravery of the time. And because this Bulwarke was lately renewed and better reformed than the other, it excels the rest in beauty. Behind, it hatha Casamat with Bricke walls, like the former. Thence the Rampire with a low, meane, and in some places but a weake Wall, built thereon, extends it selfe, even to the Imperiall Court, or Archducal Casse, where by the raising of the outward highway the ditches are made deeper.

Thence to the Castle gate, in Dutch das Burgthor, where stands the vast seventh Bulwarke of earth, which behinde hath a lesse Bulwarke also, like a Casamat, not

built high, but compleatly walled.

On this fide a Bohemian fouldier, under the command of the elder Count of Turne, did shoot some bullets, from the suburbs of St. Vbric, into the Imperial Court or Archducall Castle, and even into the great Chamber of the Knights and Nobles, and into the Antichamber; and drove his Imperial Majesty, then King of Hungary and Bohemia, out of his owne Chamber.

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From thence the Rampire, with a Wall above, and Fortifications below, extends it selfe with very deepe ditches almost to the Carinthian gate; before which is a strong, great, stately and faire Bulwarke, all of Bricke, the eight in number, joyning to the Gate, behind which and above the Gate, there is a Casamat raysed. And over the Gate, the Captaine of the City watch hath a faire lodging.

From this Carinthian gate, in stead of the Rampire, are Bricke walls, almost of one height with the Bulwarkes, the ditches are there of good depth, but (as the others)

without water.

Then followes the ninth, which as the former is a very stately Bulwark; with an Aquaduct into the towne, and hitherto the ditches are dry; but about this Bulwarke, the Aquaduct, which serves both to bring in necessary water, and in time of need, furnish the dry ditches with water, and rendereth them somewhat wet and marish, but from the corner thereof and lower, they are deeper, and more fill'd with water.

From thence runnes the Rampire, to the tenth Bulwarke, commonly called Obere Stuben Passey, which is most exquisitely faire, large, lofty, and strongly faced with bricke, and the corners of Freestone, with a magnificent inscription in golden letters, on tables of stone. This Bulwarke was built and perfected by the Emperour Ferdinand the first.

These three last Bulwarks are of one height, and walled alike, and each of them have a severall inscription,

with golden letters, in Tables of stone.

Of these ten Bulwarks of the City, three onely stand in water, which is drawne from the Dambe, and some certaine veines which runne into the City, and all the restare dry.

The ditches of the City are are very unequall and unlike.

About the City are great and spacious suburbs, in which are divers faire and pleasant gardens, with houses of pleasure, and store of other considerable dwellings, whereof many, especially before the Castle gate called das Burgiber, and the Carimbian gate: towards St. Vlrier, and the little River of Vienna; for about three hundred paces together, as well to enlarge the way and streets, as for the greater safety of the City, were purposely demolished; and others a few yeeres since were burnt by accident.

The garrison of this Towne consists at this present of about one thousand soote, in eight companies, of which the Baron of Lobel Collonell, is Captaine, and one of the Emperours Councells of Warre, and Vice President of that Counsell. About some eight yeeres since the armes, which had beene taken from the Citizens when Archduke Leopald was Governour of the Citty in the yeare 1619. were restored unto them againe, the Citizens being for the most part Protestants, and there being a suspition conceived of some secret intelligence betwixt them and the Bohemians, but especially with the elder Count of Turne: The Magistrates fearing some attempt of the Protestants against the Roman Catholicks, had caused the Protestants to bee disarmed.

The Burgmaster, by the command of his Imperiall Majesty, as lawfull Prince of this Archdutchy of Austria, heretofore did choose out and raise fower Companies of foote of Citizens, of three hundred a peece. These selected men have beene used on urgent necessities for the desence of the City, as was lately practised in the time of the last Hungarian seditions and rebellions, under

der the direction of Bethlem Gabor Prince of Transilvania. For when part of a garrison was sent to defend the Cassile of Presburg, the selected Citizens were forced to serve foure moneths together, for the defence of the Towne. The pay of the garrison is sixe florins a man by the moneth, but for want of due payment they are often seene to beg in the streets.

In time of warre and danger, some Corners of horse use to be taken into the suburbs; at other times the guard

remaines unaltered.

Some thinke that the City of Vienna is so populous, that it containes, within and without, some threescore thousand soules, but the certaine number is hard to bee knowne.

The suburbs on the other side of the Danube are inhabited by I cwes, as an I land a part, and in the Towne they have a place of commerce, where by day they sell their commodities: but it is not lawfull for them to lie all night in Towne. But because they bring great profits to the Imperial Court, and for other causes and reasons, they are not onely tollerated in this City, but they en-

joy many great priviledges and liberties.

The Evangelicall Lutheran Religion, or the confession of Augsburg, being heretofore brought into this City, did afterwards so increase under the Emperour Maximilian the second; that the said Evangelicks, amongst other privelidges, had the exercise of their religion in the City it selfe, even in the Minimes Temple, at the Provinciall House. And although the Emperour Rodolph the second, and before him Ferdinand the first, did resolve to their power, to abolish the exercise of that religion; and began likewise a great resormation, and advanced the businesse for sarre, that under

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the Emperour Rodolph the second, the Evangelical state of Lower Austria lost the exercise of their religion in the Cityof Vienna; and it seemed as if an universall deformation, and a totall suppression, and extirpation of all the Evangelicks, in those Countries, would have followed: Yet the Emperour Matthias the first, for divers great causes did most graciously grant the Evangelicall state of Lower Austria, the exercise of their religion in the Village called Hoernals, about a quarter of a German league from the City, and granted them his high Imperiall and Archducall Protection; notwithstanding the Catholickes, especially the Cleargy, (whom the exercise of that religion did vehemently offend ) perswaded themselves, that the sermons of Cardinal Clozel, would have enduced the Emperour againe to prohibit the exercise of the Evangelicks at Hoernals: And that he would not permit them Evangelicall Matrimony, nor the administration of the Sacraments of Baptisme, and the Lords Supper.

But when the Emperour Ferdinand the second tooke the raines of the Roman Empire, and had taken the City of Prag; a Priest did seriously inculcate to his Majesty, that whereas since the states of the Evangelical Provinces had been permitted the exercise of their religion in the Village of Hoernals, by the Emperour Matthias the sirst, they had so mulciplyed that in that congregation there were sometimes twenty, thirty, even forty, or sifty thousand persons, and therefore hee earnessly peritioned that the exercise of that religion might be abolished by publike command. And thereupon it came to passe, that a reformation of religion was directed in the City of Vienna, by an Imperial Mandate; and the exercise of the Angustan confession in the Village

of Hoernals (whichwas afterwards given to the Cathedrall Church of St. Steven in Vienna) was quite suppressed, upon a pretext that the Baron Helmhardt Iorger, who was then in prison at Lintz, had no right of patrinage in that Village, and all the Evangelicall Preachers were forbidden to enter the City upon grievous punishments. But yet in Austria they were suffred, for their persons, as heretofore; and some of the Citizens and inhabitants had leave to goe out of the Towne, unto Sermons and Sacraments after the Evangelical minner, at Intzerrdorff, belonging to the Lord Geger of Ofterburg, a Mile from the City.

But at the last, Anno 1627. his Imperial Maiesty severely required all Ecclefiafficall Evangelicks by publike Imperiall, and Archducall Proclamations and Mandates, to void by a certaine time, all the Country of Austria and all other his Imperiall Majesties hereditary Dominions, with prohibition under his highnesse pleafure and unpardonable punishents, never to returne, or

to remaine there upon any termes.

In Ecclefiastically matters the City of Vienna, acknowledgeth the Bishop who hath spirituall jurisdiction over all the Bishoppricke of Vienna. And the Bi-

shop hath his Officiat alwaies in Vienna.

The Cathedrall Church, which is dedicated to St. Steven is of a costly, great, high and large building, set off on one fide, with a very high spired and excellent faire steeple, in which there is a very great and goodly Bell. A like steeple was on the other side begun and brought to some perfection, but was never finished; this (they say) the Bishop will perfect, and make it anfwerable to the other, and it is thought that in foure yeares space it may be finished. C 2

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The present Bishop hath likewise caused all the o'd Bishops house to be pul'd downe, and is building a large magnificent Pallace in the place, to which purpose hee hath obtained of the Emperour, a hundred thousand Rixdollers, which was the price of the Duke of Meckel.

burgs reconciliation.

This Church was raised to a Cathedrall by Pope Pant the second, at the mediation of the Emperour Fredericke the third. The Bishops revenew amounts but to 8000. slorins; which is but 1200 pounds sterling. The present Bishops name is Anteny, who hath gained the Title of Prince from the Emperour: And hee holds besipes the Bishoppricke, the wealthy Abby of Crembsmunser, ot St. Bennets Order in Upper Austria. He is also a Privy Councessour to his Imperial Majesty, and the first of the Counsell. His predecessour was Cardinall Clozes, who dyed at Vienna, in the yeare 1630. There are fixteene Cannons of this Cathedrall, but by reason of the small revenue of the Church, their stipends are but slender. They all dwell about the Cathedrall.

There are also divers other Churches and Cloysters

within and without this City.

The Emperour Fredericke the second founded the University at Vienna, in the years 1237, and indued it with very great priviledges and immunities, which were afterwards renewed, and amplified by Albert the

third of Austria.

This Emperour Ferdinand the second, about the yeare 1622, gave this Academy to the Iesuits, with the adjoyning and appendant Burses and Colledges or Convents, where now they teach and breed their schollers. His Mijesty also granted them the liberty of professing Theology and Philosophy, but upon condition that the chaire

chaire should be free for any of the Dominicans, Francis-

cans or Minimes to professe or dispute.

The Lawyers and Phisicians continue their ancient combination, and every fixe moneths, they choose a new Rector. When they thinke fit to call a Counsell for the good of themselves, or any other of the united persons of the University; it is chosen, and consists of sixteene of those faculties. The Rector of the University hath jurisdiction over all the persons and members

of the Vniverfity.

The civill government of the City is ordered by the Senate, which confifts of eighteene Citizens and Senators, to whom all businesses are propounded, concerning the particular or common good of the Citizens or City, and by them they are deliberated. The chiefe of these is the Burgmaster. In criminal matters, the Burgmaster hath his Assessment and Assistants. But the civill government is not absolutely in the Senate, but doth depend on the Licutenant of the Lower Austria. And at all Colledges, and consultations of the Senators, an Imperial Minister is alwaies present in person.

The Office of Lieutenant is now exercised by Baron Sigfrid Christopher Preunez, one of his Imperial Majesties Privy Countell, and president of the government of Lower Austria, who hath chiefe cognizans in matters which concerne the Cities, and civill government; and in the absence of his Imperial Majesty the government

is folely in him.

The Arfenall of Vienna is compleatly furnished, not onely with ships and Vessels usefull for the place; but also with Armes, all warlike preparation, and with great and small Ordnance, which are there kept. The present Master of the which is Count Xantelier, by Nation a Lor-

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raine; but because his Father brought him to the Imperiall Court when he was yong, and he hath long performed his office well, he is now esteemed a German.

The Court of Casar, or the Archducall Castle, in Dutch das Burg; hath no singular splendor or magnificens, and is somewhat straight for so great a Prince and stately a Court. It containes in it a great Court, on one side whereof, is the Imperiall Chancery; on the other side is the Inner Castle, or the lodgings of the Emperour; and on the third side is the Rampire of the City, with a gallery upon it. And on the fourth side is the new Castle commonly called die Newburg, and the Court in the midst.

In this Imperiall Pallace there is a Waldrope, and a Gallery with severall chambers, which they call the Treasury, wherein are kept great store of all forts of most precious variety of gold, precious stones, and pearle; with pictures and other things of curious workemanship, and with many rare pieces of nature and art, worth many millions. Amongst other things, which are most worthy of note, is the Imperiall Crowne and Scepter, and the Imperiall Globe; most richly adorned with gold, and rich orientall Dyamonds, valued at a million of gold; made by the Emperour Rodolph for his owne facred person. Item a round globe, seven spanne in compasse cut out of one intire Agate, with the Inscription of I E no v A namade by nature it selfe in darker caracters. Then a Vnicornes Horne of twelve or thirteene spannes long of which two last, the valew is inestimable, because their like in forme, beauty, quality, and quantity, are not to be found in the whole world. To this same Pallace in which the Emperour himselfe doth lodge, there belong two pleasant gardens, the one bigger

bigger than the other, into which his Imperial Majesty hath an eary an commodious passage out of his owne

lodgings.

In this Court of the Castle, called the Burgplatz, neare the Emperours lodgings, is a company of Foot, and at the entry to the inner Castle, under the very gate, neere the Drawbridge, ten of the Guard, called Frabanten, doe commonly watch; and keepe their station there all day, with their Halberds, but at night they draw up the bridge, and watch within, untill they bee relieved by others of their fellowes. And before the chambers of the Emperour and Empresse, there are other Guards which waite with Javelins, called Hartschierer, and these are ever ready to attend and follow the Emperour wheresoever hee goeth, as well in Iourneys as when hee goes to walke, as the ordinary horse guard of his body.

#### CHAP. 3.

Of the person of the Emperour Ferdinand the second, and of his Imperiall vertues and qualities, his devotion and piets, his workes of humiliation, and of his dispatch of businesse, recreations and meales.

The Emperour Ferdinand the second, was sonne to the Archduke Charles of Austria, who lived at Gratz, and Grandchild to the Emperour Ferdinand the first; and had as his heredetary countries the Dutchies of stinia Carinthia, and Carniola, with other appendant Provinces. But when the two Lines of the Austrian family; that of the Emperour Maximilian the second of Vienna, and that of Ferdinand the Archduke of Infbruck, were both failed. And that the Archduke Albert, who

who lived in the Low-countriess, was growne old and weake, and had reteined the government of the Austrian Provinces: His Imperial Majesty, partly by succession, and partly by agreement and confent, (but chiefly, by his being chosen and Crowned King of Bohemia and Hungary, which was a strong foundation of his future greatnesse) obtained the possession of all those Provinces. And after this on the 28. of August, Anno 1619. (the Emperour Matthias the first being dead,) he was elected and crowned Emperour at Francfurt on the Maine; At which time raigned these Kings and Princes in divers Kingdomes of Europe, I AMES the first, King of Great Brittaine; LE vvis the thirteene, King of France; PHILIP the third King of Spaine; CHRISTIAN the fourth, King of Denmarke; GVSTAVVS ADOLPHVS, King of Sweden; SIGISMVND the third, King of Poland; and in the East. the Sultan O (man.

Now for the person of his Imperial Majesty, he was of fifty nine yeares of age, of a midling stature and corpulent, of an excellent complexion, strong and healthfull; his haire and beard somewhat gray, of a gracefull presence; of a kinde, meeke, bounteous, and liberall disposition, and of a singular understanding, eloquence and memory; temperate in meate and drinke, and moderate in sleepe; hee seldome went to bed till ten at night, and sometimes not till one; and he ordinarily did rise at soure in the morning, and on his bended knees commend himselfe by prayer to God. On festivall and solemne daies principally on the Apostles daies, he did confesse and heare Masse. The thursday before Easter he used to receive the holy Sacrament from the hands of the Popes Nuncio, in company of the Empresse, the King, and Queene of Hungary, the Archduke, and the Arch-

Archdutchesse, and other principall persons of the Court, according to the rule of the Church of Rome. Before his Imperiall Majesty went to Church, hee did appoint two Maffesto be faid in the chappell or closet, one for himselfe, another for his lare wife; who was sister to Maximilian the present Duke of Bavaria; and fometimes at the same time hee did receive the Sacrament: And then he went to Church, where hee commonly did heare a Sermon in Dutch of one of the Iefuits, who is the ordinary preacher of the Court, of about an houre long. The Sermon ended, high Maffe is celebrated with great devotion, and most sweet Muficke, which lasts at least an houre. After dinner he did use to heare an Italian Sermon by the ordinary Court Italian Preacher, and after that the vespers, which are fung with great folemnity. And in this manner his Imperiall Majesty spent almost the whole Sunday or holiday. And sometimes he did visit other Churches, both within & without the City; as the Dominicans the Capuchins the Iesuits, or the Carmelites, and in these Colledges and Convents he sometimes did dine.

In the time of Advent, his Imperiall Majesty did commonly rise very early, to frequent certaine Mattins, like singing Masses, called Rorate; because at his entry is sung the said Rorate cals, which is followed with Musicke of instruments and voices, almost an houres space, which time the people imploy in their prayers and devotions. The same Office is likewise solemnely celebrated with

great concourse in all the Churches.

During the time of Lent, his Imperial Majesty was most diligently wont to heare Sermons, in his Court chappell, and in the Augustines Church which is neare the Castle; and on Holidaies in the Chappell of the

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Minimes, especially in the time of the penitentiall processions; and every day in Lent are sung the Vespers at

large in the Imperiall Oratory.

On Maundy thursday before noone, his Imperiall Majesty publikely, and before all there present, did wash the feet of thirty poore men, then feede them and serve them in his owne person, at table. After he gave to every one a gowne, and a piece of gold of the valew of a double Hungarian ducar.

At the same day and time, in another place apart, the Empresse performes the same, out of humility, to thirty

poore women.

The last Sunday before Easter his Imperial Majesty was wont to visit all the Churches of the Towne on foot after the Catholicke Roman manner, and to pray before the Tombes erected in them. This last yeare a coach did ease his feet of that pennance.

During the weeke of holy Crosse, beginning from Sunday to the feast of the Ascension of Christ, his Imperial Majesty was used to be at the accustomed Processions, at which this yeare his weakenesse hath not suffered

him to be present.

On Corpus Christi day, when the great Procession is celebrated, his Imperall Majesty did use to assist with all the Court on foot, bare headed, and to pray on bended knees at all the alters by the way. And the sunday following, he was used to attend the Procession of the Iestics: and the next sunday to bee present with great devotion at the generall Procession, which is very populous, and continues from morning untill noone.

For this cause the Popes Nuncio Cardinall Palatto in his relation made to Pope Vrhan the eight; doth testifie (to the great commendation of his Imperiall Majesty,)

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the Emperour Ferdinand the second may well be stilled a holy Prince, a man after Gods owne heart, as was King David, and that for the candor of his conscience, and his firme faith in God, the protection of the Almighty hath beene so constant, on his Imperiall person, that as the Lords annoynted he never hath or could be oppressed, or hurt by any. As plainely appeareth by his Imperiall magnanimity, in the very beginning of his raigne, and some following yeeres after, when the three Regal Offices and Counsellors of the Kingdome of Bohemia being throwne out of the window at Prag, in the yeare 1618. the 25. of May (the Emperour Matthas the first being yet alive) all his hereditary Provinces and Countreys were destroyed with fire and sword, and his facred person (as it were) in the midst of his enemies, having nothing remaining, but onely the City of Vienna, it was not possible to force him from his Residence, but on the contrary hee was alwaies most miraculously preserved by God.

The same Nuncio reports also, that his Imperiall Majesty, hath said, in greatest dangers; that the divine providence had abundantly manifested its strength and power in his sacred person, above the reach and understan-

ding of man.

And for matters of religion or conscience, when his Imperiall Maiesty did depute a Counsellour or Commissioner to that end, he did not precipitate a ratissication, but first remit all to his Consessour, who is most acute and prudent father, whose counsell and a judgement his Imperials Majesty (as the sheep his sheepheard) did constantly follow with a willing and ready mind and heart; and to cleare himselfe from all scruples of conscience, he did referre unto him all, even the least things.

On other daies, (except the Lords day) having heard two Masses and dispatched his private consultations, for every day, or at least every other day, hee did hold a Counfell, unlesse there were something of greater moment to dispatch, his Imperiall Majesty used to goe out of towne to take the aire, or to hunt (in which kinde of exercise he did most delight) and commonly returned not till night: whence the proverb grew, that his Imperiall Majesty in three things was indefatigable; to wit In devotion, in counsell, and in hunting. And although sometimes he did returne somewhat late and tired from hunting; yet did hee never refuse or forbeare to signe with his owne hand forty, fifty, or threescore or more feverall things at one time, concerning the businesse of the Empire, and other matters, and without the least shew of displeasure or impatience; and then hee did sit downe to meate. So that his Imperiall Majesty did never returne from counfell, from hunting, or from audience (as they terme it, ) without prescribing or signing somewhat, or reading memorials, or being otherwise imployed. And forasmuch as his Imperial Majesty by reason of the many businesses of the Empire, and others of great consequence, could not himselfe read the least part of them; if there was any thing presented to himselfe, or to the master of his chamber, hee did command it to be sent by a waiter or huisher of the chamber unto the Counsell proper for the businesse, that it might be speedily dispatched.

His Imperiall Majesty was most of all delighted in hunting (as is said) and in Musicke; and din keepe all kind of dorges, and strange birds, for hunting and hawking. Of Huntsmen and Falcners, hee had about 150. But besides these, his Imperial Majesty, in all his here-

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ditary Kingdomes, and Provinces, had a chiefe Huntfman with divers others, and dogges without number.

He did use a piece very skilfully; but his chiefest pleafure was to moose his game, and with his owne hand to kill wild boares, which he afterwards sent for presents of honour to forraine Ambassadours and Agents, and to the officers of the Court. And he was wont to keepe a catalogue of the annual number of the Deere he killed, and sent to the Electour of Saxons.

His Imperial Majesty was likewise very curious to get exquisite Musitians, and to these two kinds of men, Musitians and Huntsmen, he did give very liberally, and spend much money on them. Musicke, he said, is prostable, and sit for the praise and honour of the Almighty;

and to make the heart of man merry.

His Imperiall Majesty did ordinarily dine in his Antichamber, but most commonly sup with the Empresse. Two yeares since, his Imperiall Majesty, with the Empresse, King and Queene of Hungary, and the Archduke and Archdutchesse, on solemne and great feasts, (as at Christmar, Easter, and Whit souide,) used to eat in publike in the Chamber of the Knights and Nobles, before a great multitude; where there was commonly most exquisite Musicke of Instruments.

The Emperours Table is usually attended by the Ordinaries of the chamber, Sewers, Cupbearers, and such like Officers, and sometimes also by Princes, Earles, and Barrons of the Empire, who having waited about an houres space, withdraw themselves. For no Prince is admitted to sit at the Emperours table in his Court at Vienna; but elsewhere, and in the Country, hee sometimes though seldome at his residence, causeth some to sit at table with him, according as they are great and

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eminent either by their birth and quality, or in his grace and favour.

It is worth the observing, that Christian the elder Prince of Anhalt, being reconciled to the Emperour, presented the towell to his Imperiall Majesty after washing, and after waited bareheaded; but when he had received his investiture and seudalities from the Emperour, and stood likewise bareheaded before the Imperiall table; the Emperour considering it, would not admit thereof; and thereupon by the chiefe Marshall of his Court, (which then was the Earle of Lozenstein,) commanded him to put on his hat, which he did; and withall to sit at the table with him, which he did also in the Castle of Vienna.

When his Imperiall Majesty sits at the table with the Empresse, in stead of Noblemen, Knights, and Gentlemen, the Imperiall Ladies and maids of the Empresse serve at the table, and then there is most exquisite Musicke; otherwise there is no musicke at dinner, unlesse

it be on festivall and holydaies.

The meates which are served on the Imperial board, are neither costly nor dainty, nor any way superfluous in splendor or magnificence, for so great a Prince.

According to the time and occasion there are Iesters, which make sport and tell merry tales. Amongst these Ionas is the prime for sudden jests, but they are never so free as when the Emperour is abroad, or hunting.

#### CH AP. 4.

Of the manner of the Emperours going to the Church or Chappell, of his attendants and of the carriage of the Ambassadonrs and Agents at those times, and how his Imperiall Majest is served returning from Church or Chappell, and what he then used to doe.

Hen his Imperiall Majesty goes to the Church, the King of Hungary being present, goes next before him, in a Coach alone, and then followes his Imperiall Majesty, either alone, or with the Empresse. When the Queene of Hungary is present, the Empresse and she, and the Archdutchesse are most commonly carried in one Coach, and follow next after the Emperour: and after then the Ladies and Gentlewomen in divers Coaches. The Archduke goes before the King, and before all these on foote goe the Courtiers, Knights, and Imperiall Ministers of all forts and condition. On both sides walke the Guard called Hartschierer and Trabanten bareheaded, which indeed is a brave sight and makes a great traine.

A troupe of Souldiers on foote follow the Ladies, which attend and waite on the Emperour from his going out of Court till he returne, to dine at the Court or any where elfe, be it in a Monastery or Colledge, or any

other place wherefoever.

The Popes Nuncio and other Ambassadours, never appeare before his Imperiall Majesty; till after divine service, or other publike acts bee done; and then they present themselves to his Imperiall Majesty, and waite upon him to his Coach, and then they presently retire.

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When his Imperial Majesty is in the City, our of the Court, the City gates are all shut, and locked up.

The great Master of the horse, doth use to goe with his head covered on the left side of the Imperiall Coach, but abroad he sits in the Coach ouer against the Emperour.

When the Emperour goes out of his chamber to Church or Chappell, and returnes againe by the Knights great chamber and antichamber, the Pages of honour, the Nobles, Knights, Gentlemen of the chamber, Counfellours, Barrons, Earles, Princes, and other Officers of feverall conditions, follow them. After the Princes follow the Ambassadours, if any bee present, then the Popes Nuncio, the Archduke, the King of Hungary, and then his Imperiall Majesty; and after him the Empresse, the Queene of Hungary, the Archdurchesse, every one with his hofmaster, and last of all, the Ladies of honour. The Guard of both forts waite till the traine be passed, and untill his Imperial Majesty be set at dinner, within and without the Knights chamber even to the antichamber. On Sundaies and festivall daies, the Trumpets use to sound in the Court of the Castle called Burgplatz.

#### CHAP. 5.

Of the Imperiall antichamber, and of the Knights and Nobles chamber, &c. and what is usually done there.

The Barons and Knights, Councellors and principall Officers, Agents and others, who either have had audience of the Emperour, or who otherwise have accesse thither, untill it be time to return home; use to waite in the antichamber or chamber of Knights. In the

the roome where his Imperiall Majesty gives audience, no man may put on his hat, but an absolute Prince, or a Prince of the Empire, a Cardinall, the Popes Nuncio,

and Kings Ambaffadours.

Here it is also to be observed, that when his Imperiall Majesty is to passe the Knights chamber, and comes neare it, one of the huishers with a key raps the doore twice, for a signe of his Imperial Majesties comming. When the Emperour passeth the chamber of Knights, divers petitions and memorials are frequently presented to him; and withall, he is admonished and put in mind of the necessity and importance of the businesse, and gives eare unto every ones petition, although sometimes it be very long with great patience and equanimity, without displeasure or anger.

When his Imperiall Majesty sees any forraine Knight of speciall qualities, or any who is lately returned to the Imperiall Court, whom he had knowne before, he gives him his hand to kisse. He willingly heares propositions made unto him, and most graciously answereth them, and sometimes of himselfe hee moves and askes some

gentle and pleafing questions.

He receives all writings and memorials with his owne hands, and carries them with him into his owne chamber, and never gives them away, until he come thither. He usually speaketh German or Italian, and sometimes also Latine, and that very readily and correctly; but never speakes French or Spannish, no not with the Spannish Ambassadour himselfe.

#### CHAP. 6.

of the yearely revenewes of the Kingdomes, and hereditary Provinces of his Imperial Maiefty.

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IT is difficult to speake certainely of the yearely revelnewes of his Imperiall Majesty, out of his Kingdomes and hereditary Provinces; because those Countries, aswell by reason of the ordinary and extraordinary contributions, as for other causes are changed much from the ancient state, and are very uncertaine.

His Imperial Majesty hath a very great revenew, from the Hungarian mines of gold and silver, but doth expend it all, and much more in preserving the places bordering

on the Turke.

The Duke of Bavaria hath long possessed the Vpper Austria, for twelve millions of florins payd at Ratisbone, in the yeare 1622, and still by that agreement it remaineth ingaged unto him. And this at the present is much depopulated in divers places by the insurrections of the boores.

The Marquisare of Vpper and Lower Lusaria in the yeare 1636, was granted to the Electour of Saxon, for

some millions in hereditary propriety.

The revenew of Bobemia and Moravia, besides the ordinary and extraordinary contributions and other impositions, some few yeares since, amounted about some three millions yearely.

The revenew of silesia hath beene uncertaine of late yeares, but the yearely impost on Beere onely, is farre

above two hundred thousand florins.

But the revenewes of Lower Austria, Stiria, Carinthia, Carniola, &c. are of all others the most certaine, safe and ordinary,

ordinary, and these according to report, amount unto

about two millions of florins.

The faithfull subjects also of his Imperial Majesties dominions, doe yearely send to the Imperial Court some hundred thousand florins. The provincial Dyets doe likewise helpe him to much money. And besides all these, the goods which were consisted by reason of the many rebellions in Bohemia and Moravia, and in the Vpper Anstria, and somewhat in the Lower, have brought above three and forty millions of florins to the Imperial Treasury, since the yeare 1618.

#### CHAP. 7.

Of the Empresse, King Ferd Inand the third, the Queene Mary, Archdoke Leopald William, and the Emperours daughters.

Leonora the Roman Empresse, daughter of Vincent, The elder Duke of Mantova, and fifter to the late deceased Duke Vincent of Mantova, is now thirty seven yeares of age, of a perfect stature, gentle countenance, and wife; a good wife, liberall, mercifull, and meeke. She had for her dowry from her Ducall house, about three hundred thousand crownes: And his Imperiall Majesty hath given her lands in lower Austria to above that valew in exchange. When the was crowned at Prefburg, the Hungarians presented her a hundred thousand Rixdollers: and in the second provincial Dyet of Hungary eighteene thousand Rixdollers, and another time alfo, thirty thousand. His Imperiall Majesty allowes her commonly every moneth two thousand florins, (which in English is no more than three hundred pounds sterling.) & a Country house commonly called Favoritenhoff

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Her habit is almost Spannish, she is pious and religious, and entertaines Ecclesiasticall persons with great love and honour, and chiefly Capuchins and Carmelites.

His Imperial Majesty hath left foure children living, Ferdinand the third, King of Hungary and Bohemia; Leopald William, Archduke of Austria; Maria Anna, wife of Maximilian Duke of Bavaria and; and Cecilia Renata, who is yet unmarried: all borne of his Imperial Majesties first wife, who was his cosin german, and sister to Maximilian Duke of Bavaria.

King Ferdinand the third is now of nine and twenty yeares of age compleat; hee is well favoured, of an heroicke countenance and fashion, of a taller stature than his father, blacke haire and beard, becomming his royall face, and giving it a manly forme; hee is wife, prudent and ferious, carefull of his reputation, filent, and in many things like the Duke of Bavaria. He payes his debts duely, but withall, he knowes well how to practice the proverb, Ne quid nimis, or rather as the Dutch, Neire reckon'd, well payd; yet will be wanting in nothing which is just and decent. His studies (in which he hath well profited) are fit for a King, as well necessary in warre as in peace, chiefly the Mathematickes, and art of warre and fortification, he speakes many Languages, German, Italian, Latin, Bohemian and Spannish. He is devout, and religious: and he hath a particular Court of his owne.

The Queene his wife is the Infanta Mary, fifter of Philip the 4th. King of Spaine, whose dowry (the same with the Queene of France) was five hundred thousand crownes, every crowne valued at thirteene ryals. The King her brother also was at the care and charge of her transport even to the furthest parts of Austria.

Archduke Leopold William, Bithop Strasburg, Bassam

and Halberstadt, is three and twenty yeeres of age, tall and of a strong complexion, a lover of hunting; he hath put on the habit of a Churchman. But it is said, that he will not continue in this Ecclesiastical state, but intends

to marry.

The Archdutchesse Mary Anne, who is now married to the Duke of Bavaria her uncle, of the age of twenty eight, well bred, devout and vertuous, prudent and industrious, of blacke haire and eyes, of a most sweet countenance, well skil'd in German and Italian. Vadislans the now King of Poland should have married her: but, they say, the marriage was hindred by the States of Poland, and by the Kings Counsellors; shee was afterwards intended for the Cardinall Insant, the onely sonne also of the Prince Palatine of Newburg: Albert Duke of Bavaria, as also Bethlem Gabor Prince of Transilvania by the example of Sigismund Bather desired to have married her; to which essent the Transilvanian sent his Ambassadours to his sacred Imperiall Majesty at Newstat. But at last her uncle Maximilian Duke of Bavaria carried her.

The yonger Imperiall Princesse, the Archdutchesse Cecilia Ranata, is five and twenty yeares old, fairer facidithan her sister, godly, vertuous, and very wellbrought up, but speakes her Mother tongue onely German, and although she understand Italian, she speakes it not. The common opinion and conjecture is, she shall be married

to the Cardinall Infant.

These two Imperial Princesses are of a perfect proportion and stature, and somewhat of a strong com-

plexion.

#### CHAP. 8.

Of the foure chiefe Officers of the Imperiall Court, the High Steward, the High Marshall, High Chamberlaine, and High Master of the Horse, and of those of the Chamber, and of their Asdes, Pages of honour, Guards aswell horse as foot, Court Chaplaines, and Imperiall father Consessour.

The highest and chiefest Office of the Imperiall Court, is the high Steward; a grave man, stately, and now aged, who heretofore under the Emperour Mat-

thias was high Chamberlaine.

The high Marshall of the Court is a great and profitable office of authority and reputation, whose jurisdiction extends it selfe not onely over all the Courtiers, Officers, and others belonging to the Imperial Court, but also over for aigne Agents, Residents, Ambassadours, and Deputies; folliciting and negotiating affaires and businesses in the Imperiall Court: and over all that have any imployment at Court, workemen, Iewes, and fuch like. His office also is to assigne lodgings to every one according to discretion: when the Emperour removes his Court elsewhere, except at the Electorall and Imperiall Dyets, for there the hereditary Marshall of the Empire doth exercise his jurisdiction. The said Court Marshall hath his Quartermaster, and other inferiour harbingers (commonly called Furriers) under him; who have the charge of billetting and lodgings. And his Imperiall Majesty being absent, the chiefe Marshall of the Court is his Vicegerent.

Vnder the jurisdiction of the high Chamberlains, are those of the chamber, and all others serving therein. He conducts all Kings Ambassadours, and other Princes,

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Lords, and Knights, unto their audience with his Imperiall Majesty. He receives all letters of credence from all Agents and Soliciters, as well of forraigne Princes, as of those of the Empire, and all others sent to the Imperiall Court, directed to his Imperial Majesty, and fignifies the prefixed time of their audience by a huisher of the Chamber. He often watcheth whole nights himfelfe before the Imperiall Chamber, he weares a guilt key of the chamber, as doe the rest of the chamber, tyed to a blacke filke string, which is a figne they are of the Chamber to his Imperiall Majesty. Those of the Chamber receive themselves the golden key from the high Chamberlaine, and going from Court, they are bound to deliver it up to him againe; and returning backe to the Imperiall Court they receive it againe, and weare it as before. Their monthly stipend is forty florins (fix pound sterling) with their dyet at Court, as also have the other twelve of the Chamber in ordinary.

There are divers others also of the Chamber, who receive neither wages nor dyer, nor ought else, except the

guilt key, with the title and honour.

Two of the twelve of the Camber in ordinary, every weeke by turnes lie and watch all night before the Imperiall Chamber. When the Emperour eates in the antichamber, they take the affay of the meate, which is ferved thither. If any one be to be made of the Chamber, he must take an oath of his allegiance to his Imperiall Majesty, before the high Chamberlaine, and give security.

In the absence of the high Chamberlaine, the eldest of the Chamber supplies his Office. When his Imperial Majesty sits publikely at table, the Sewers, which are truely Nobles and of ancient families, (some of them

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being Barons and Earles) serve and waite at Table, and so doe the Cupbearers and Pantlers, and over them all is a certaine Officer (commonly called obriffer Stabel megater) who is otherwise one of the Chamber, who bearing a blacke staffe, ushers the dishes which are brought to the Imperiall table; neither hath hee any certaine wages, besides his dyet at Court. Hee useth alwaies to attend his Imperiall Majesty in travelling, and hath a horse, or a coach roome appointed for him. Of these and the like Nobles and Courtiers, there are about threescore which have onely their dyet and accommodation, as they call it, in travelling; and who remaine in Court in hope of some better preferment, which they seldome or never expect in vaine, unlesse sometimes their fortune be slow and too long comming.

His Imperiall Majesty hath also some servants of the Chamber, who are by their places to hearken after common discourses and rumours, and these use to make relations of what they conceive will prove acceptable. They are honoured with Nobility and have their dyet at Court, and have also horses or coach-roome for travell allowed, and sixteene florins wages by the month.

And as his Majesties Imperiall liberality and innate bounty towards his faithfull Servants and Courtiers is inexhaustible: so he doth sometimes according to the quality of the service, reward them very liberally, besides their ordinary wages, that afterwards they may more patiently expect, untill God shall further favour them; remembring (as it were) that the rich man who entertained his servants alwaies with that comfort, to reward them largely after his death, was admonished by this inscription: Give thine whilst it is thine, which after death is none of thine. Whereupon his Imperiall Maiesty

Maiesty about two yeares since said to the Iesuits be taking Fathers, you shall not have alwaies with you Ferdiwand the fecond.

There are likewise hiushers of the chamber, who wait at the doore of the Antichamber, and fuffer none but those who are allowed to enter there, these have a

month ly stipend of twelve florins.

The great master of the Horse hath authority and command over all that belong to the Stables. He helpes his Imperiall Majesty, when he gets on horseback. When he rides out of Towne, he fits in the Imperiall Coach with his head covered. But when he goes to Church, he goes on foot on the left hand of the Coach, also his head covered.

The expence of his Imperiall Majesty for the Stables, is great; for hee keepes some hundreds of horses, of which many are spoyled by hunting: and besides these in his hereditary Provinces, he hath many and stately Stables.

Part of the Pages of honour are Germans, part Italians, and Belgians, seldom of other Nations. They are brought up in study and the exercise of the body, and are afterwards preferred to the offices of Sewers, Cupbearers, or the like, as also some to more eminent offices, as their qualities deferve. They hold the torches in the Churches or Chappels behind the Priests, while Masse is celebrated; their livery is of three collours, yellow, blacke, and white.

Of the Guards, some are horsemen or lanciers, (commonly called Hartsbierer) and of them there are one hundred, in the time of the former Emperours they were nobly descended, some also of late have beene of noble Familes, and others expert and approved fouldiers against

aginst the Turke, the common enemy of Christendome, in the warres of Hungary; but at this day the greatest part are of meane condition. In Towne they waite on foote, bearing their Lances, but out of Towne as horsemen, they are cloathed as Pages with a livery of three colours.

The Guards on foote (commonly called Trabauten) are in number one hundred also. These waite onely in Towne with their halberds, and are, for the most part, tradesmen and mechaniques: their coates and cloaths are

likewife of three colours.

The fixe Court-chaplaines or Deacons are all Priests, every morning they sing Masse, and in their turnes by weekes they say grace before the Imperiall Table, they are little esteemed, they have every one their dyet at Court, and three hundred florins (or 45. pound sterling) wages yearely; and one of them who is the chiese Parochus, hath soure hundred florins, besides which they usually enjoy some other Ecclesiasticall benefices, whereby they may the better provide for their necessaries.

The Emperours Confessour is Father Laimormain, of the order of the Jesuits, by Nation a Flemming of Wallowe, and an old man. He hath the greatest authority in the Imperiall Court, as he who hath the heart of Casar, and his conscience in his hands, and at his becke; his counsels and advices as well in Ecclesiasticall cases of conscience as in politike affaires prevaile before all others, and unto him they are referred. Whoso hath this father for his Patron, may safely effect his businesse in the Imperiall Court.

#### CH AP. 9.

Of the severall Imperiall Court Counsels, as of the Cabinet Counsell, the Imperial Court Counsell, the Chamber Court Counsell, Millitary Counsell, Ecclesiasticall Counsell, Counsell of conscience, Hungarian Counsell, Bohemian Counsell, and confiscation Counsell.

The Privy Councellours of the Cabinet, excell the other Counsellours in dignity, for they are imployed in consultation of States matters, concerning the peace and warre of the Emperours hereditary Kingdomes and Dominions, and the petitions and Commands of forraigne Kings and Princes. To these also belong all matters of the Chambers, and whatsoever is first debated and deliberated by other Counsels, and concluded by votes, and referred to his Imperiall Majesty. And also, what other Counsels have before decided, the Cabinet Counsell afterwards sometimes changeth or otherwise disposeth of, and from thence is the Imperiall restitution to be expected in all things.

In matters of the Empire, the judgement and sentence of the Imperiall Court Counsell, grounded on strong and sirme reasons, is seldome rejected or changed by the Cabinet Counsell. And hence it appeares that all things sirst come to his Imperiall Majesty, before their dispatch; except small matters, which may of course be granted by the President of the Imperiall Court Counsell, or Vice Chancellor of the Empire.

All matters of grace, of what nature soever they bee, are presented to his Imperial Majesty, with all humblenesse, and presently they passe and belong unto the Imperial Cabinet Counsell; yet sometimes his Im-

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periall Majesty causeth them to be referred to the Imperiall Court Counsell, that he may understand their reformation and judgement, before he gives his owne

gracious judgement thereupon.

About two yeares fince the Prince of Eggenberg had the direction of this Cabinet Counsell, and was absolute Patron of Casars will, so that they then had but one heart & one way; as the Prince of Eggenberg within the Court had all the power, so the Duke of Frisland did sway in the warres.

And although he kept his bed almost continually by reason of the gout and collicke, with which he was much afflicted, and although his house was a good distance from the Imperiall Court, yet his Imperiall Majesty appointed his Cabinet Counsell to bee alwaies affembled there, and himselfe past to his house from the Archducall Castle, or Imperiall Court through a long Gallery, and affifted in his owne person at the consultations. Neither did he onely visit him at times of Counsell, but other times also daily, and sometimes often in one day. And his Imperial Majesty, and the Empresse did often use to play and sport themselves in his house. This Prince was of an admirable judgement, a quicke understanding, a great capacity and eloquence, and framed by nature to a most comely shape, a bigot in religion, dissembling, most happy in advising and resolving counsells; and on that knew how to fatisfie his Imperial Majesty in all things.

The Emperour had mightily inriched him, and made him very great, as may in part appears by the titles which he enioyed whilft hee lived. It was then a Proverbe, that the Emperour had three mighty hills; to wit, Eggenberg, Werdenburg, and Questenberg: and

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three precious stones Dietrichstein, walstein and Liechenstein in his hereditary Kingdomes and Provinces; for that those Families had attracted and appropriated to themselves a great part of the best and fairest dominions in the hereditary Provinces of his Imperall Ma-

iesty.

But as this Prince of Eggenberg hath still enjoyed the constant grace of the Emperour, the favour of all the house of Austria, the esteeme and praise of all the Imperiall Court, and a generall respect and honour of all the Country and Empire: So on the other fide, as soone as the treason of the Duke of Fridland & his conspiracy, intended at Pillen, was discovered, both the Emperours grace and all other mens favour and respect towards him began to faile: so that he had but even time enough, year scarce enough (when the King of Hungary Ferdinand the third, taking his last leave of the said Prince of Eggenberg, and bidding him farewell, without those termes of kindnesse, which otherwise are usually given to Princes of the Empire) to withdraw himselfe out of the Court, and in the best manner he could, make (as it were) his retreatinto Stiria.

Of the Cabinet Counfell to the Emperour were, the Cardinall of Dietrichstein, a Moravian by Nation; the Bishop of Vienna of the Rhine; the Count of Megar, an Austrian; the Count of Transmansdorff a Stirian; the Count of Fugger of Swevid; the Abbot of Liliensield a Westphalian; the Count of Schlick a Bohemian; the Count of Werdenberg an Italian; Count Mansfelt an Earle of the sacred Roman Empire, who seldome comes to Counsell; Count Schlawata a Bohemian; Count Kevenhuller a Carinthian; the Count of Morsburg a Franconian, and the Lord.

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The Imperiall Court Counsell next in ranke to the Cabinet Counsell, is where all affaires of the Empire both publike and private are both considered and decided, according to the lawes and constitutions of the Empire, and according to the grants and charters of priviledge and immunities of the Electours, Princes, and States of the Sacred Roman Empire, that every one may be maintained and established therein; and not by any meanes be burthened, contrary to the Lawes.

The Counsellors of this Counsell are partly Nobles. and partly Doctours. Of the Nobles there are but fixe of the Empire, the rest are all borne in the Emperours hereditary Provinces. The Doctours are many, and most of them borne in the Empire; that is, within the Austrian Provinces. And because the affaires of the Ele-Cours, Princes, and States of the Sacred Roman Empire are of great moment; therefore the consultation and direction being made, his Imperiall Majesty is informed thereof in his Cabinet Counsell, and from thence his resolution is expected. Hence the dispatches are sent to the Secretary, and being prepared, the faid Secretary first subscribes himselfe on the left hand below, afterwards the Vicechancellour of the Empire, in the midle towards the right hand, and last of all his Imperial Majesty signes the cloze under the writing, towards the right fide.

The yearely wages of every one of the Imperiall Court Counsellours, is twelve hundred florins, (one hundred and forty pounds sterling) and besides his Imperiall Majesty distributes and gives them gratifications, according to their merit; and according as every one hath faithfully and prositably discharged his office

on his Imperiall Majesty.

The Court Counsell of warre, is composed for the most part, of Knights and Commanders. In this they doe consult and make provision for the garrisons and souldiers, how to continue the warre and to assigne necessary allowance to the souldiers, money for the armies, victuals, and provision; and to supply them with munition and all other things, directed for the good, prosit, and benefit of his Imperiall Majesty, in all things which may and ought to be done.

The Court Counsell of the Imperiall Chamber, hath not onely power and jurisdiction in all other chambers, but also lookes unto all the revenewes and rents aswell of the Empire, as chiefly of his Imperiall Majesty, his hereditary Provinces. For although every one of his Imperiall Majesties hereditary Kingdomes and Provinces, have a peculiar chamber, yet all of them depend up-

on the faid Court chamber.

The refolutions of this chamber are somewhat slow and tedious; and thence it was, that in the Diet of the Kingdome of Hungary, this amongst others was presented as a great grievance, that the States and subjects of that Crowne, could not obtaine dispatch, but were constrained at great expence and charges, to neglect the affaires and businesses of their owne familie, to attend in vaine this Court chamber. The now president of this Counsell and Court chamber, is an Ecclesiastical Presate.

And here it is chiefely to be observed, that the Prefident of the Court chamber, who directs so many millions of revenewes from the Emperours hereditary Kingdomes and Provinces, whether he be deposed or resignes his office, is not obliged to give any account of his administration.

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The Ecclesiasticall Counsell was instituted by the Emperour Maximilian the second, that Ecclesiasticall matters and those which concerne Religion, aswell in the Empire, as in his Imperiall Majesties hereditary Kingdomes and Dominions, might be therein resolved and deliberated. This Counsell hath neither a President, nor a set number of Counsellours; the one halfe whereof is of Ecclesiasticall persons, and the other of Politique.

The Counsell of conscience consists onely in the meeting of Ecclesiasticall persons, which are more or

lesse according to the occasion.

When his Imperiall Majesty treated the peace of Prag in the yeare 1635. with the Electour of saxony, and his conscience was much perplexed, whether he might any longer suffer the Evangelicks to enjoy the possessions of Ecclesiasticall goods in the Empire; for the recovery whereof, the warre had so long continued, and so much blood had beene shed: This question of conscience, of fo great a confequence, was refer'd to the Counfell of Divines, that thereupon they might declare their judgement. Hereupon divers Ecclesiasticall persons were affembled from divers places in the City of Vienna: the Counsell was composed of two Cardinals, two Bifhops, two Prelates, two Cannons, two Fathers, of every fociety and order, (amongst which were also two Iesuits.) And they deliberated and consulted thereon for divers weekes, and at last delivered an opinion, whereupon his Imperial Majesty did afterwards agree of Articles with the Electour of Saxony, and thereupon the peace was published.

And this Assembly of Ecclesiastiques was then called, the Counsell of conscience; because the matter

touched

touched the conscience of his Imperial Majesty.

The Court Counsell for Hungary consists of Hungarians onely, and hath a dependence on the Palatine of

the Kingdome of Hungary, who is there as Viceroy.

The present Palarine is the Lord Esterbasy, Count de Gallanta, Knight of the golden Fleece; who governes the Hungarian Kingdome in secular matters, as Cardinall Pasman the Iesuit, Archbishop of Grandoth in spiritual.

To this Counsell also belong the affaires of the King-

domes of Dalmatia, Creatia and Sclavonia.

The Bohemian Court Counsell, although it seemes not to be a set Counsell, as the others, because therein ordinarily are only a Chancellor, Vicechancellor, & Secretary: & that besides the government of that Kingdom is committed to the Lieutenant and supreame Officers at Prag: neverthelesse, divers petitions and supplications, touching tenures, immunities, confirmations and inlargement of Provinces, and all sorts of seudal affaires are bought to the Bohemian Court Chancery; as well out of the City as Country, and are afterwards all dispatched in the Court Chancery.

There is also a particular Officer of tenures and fealtics, who (the vassals conveniently desiring it) doth grant unto them their recognizances or attestations that they have performed the feodatory oath, which being brought into the Chancery, there are afterward disparched the feodary patents. If there happen any processes, they are first sent to the Royall Counsell of appeales for information and report of their opinion therein; and afterwards they are resolved and decided in the Court Chancery. Other appeales also from the whole Kingdome of Bohemia, of all the cities, townes and parts thereof are brought thither and many times decrees and

fenten-

sentenses, about feudall affaires are there pronounced and obteined. The Barons and Knights of that Kingdome seeke justice and redresse (if they need) at a Court called, the royall Landrable. And matters of debt are decided at a Court, commonly called, the office of the Burggrave, next in dignity to the former. Reviewes or affaires of Revision are referred out of the Chancery to the chamber, called the Greene chamber. When there happens any thing of moment in the Court, there is held a Bohemian Counfell at the Lord Vicechancellours of the Empire, the Baron of Stralendorfs: To which purpose, because there befall at this time divers businesses of great moment, concerning the affaires both of the Kingdome of Bohemia as allo the incorporate Provinces, which are to bee discussed and resolved upon (which would have beene too troublesome for the Bohemian Counsell alone) his Imperiall Majesty hath deputed (besides the said Bohemian Counsellors) some others of the Imperiall Court Counsell, and joyned them in Commission with his said Vicechancellour Stralendorff. The confiscation Counsell consists of the Bishop of Vienna, the Abbot of Lilienfield, President of the Imperiall Court chamber, the Count of schlicke President of the Court Counsell of warre; together with the Secretary of the Court chamber, Hoffman of Ankerson. In this Counsell of confication, was taken the deliberation and resolution about the distribution of the confiscated goods and Lands of the late Duke of Fridland, Count of Kinskie, and the Baron Haw: and fince that time very lately in the same Counsell hath beene consulted about the distribution of the goods of Terskie, a great part whereof is already bestowed on others. And this cause of Terskie being now finished, they are now busied in canfes

causes of silesis, and divers others. And these conficated goods amounted to many millions, besides the three and forty millions already mentioned. These and the like, are the meanes whereby the souldiers are partly satisfied, and appealed in their importunities.

CHAP. 10.

Of the foresigne Ambassadours, and Agents, and of the Ambassadours and Agents of the Empire, now at Vienna.

The Pope hath an ordinary Nuntio to the Imperiall Court, who is called the Appertolicke Nuncio. He pretends spirituall jurisdicton, not onely in the Kingdomes of Hungary, and Bohemia, with their adherent and incorporated Countries, and in all other Countries and Provinces of Austria; but even in the whole German Empire. He watcheth also for the safety of the Roman Church, that it may receive no prejudice nor detriment, and if he observe any such thing, he opposeth himselfe and protests against ir.

As he did lately in the cause of Bremen, and was much disoleased at the Emperours gracious resolution therein: to whom his Imperial! Majesty made answer, that hee was enforsed by the Treaty of Prag, to yeeld to that and many other things, because the Pope had forsaken him.

The King of Spaine hath his ordinary Ambassadour, and at this time almost continually an extraordinary, the Count d'Onnate, who helpes to direct and uphold the German and Imperiall Millitary forces as well with counsell as with meanes and supplies of money. He hath his Counsell also; his Counsellours are Father Chirova a Franciscan, the Queene of Hungaries confessour; Dostor Novara a Spaniard, and Secretary Bodin.

The French Kings emulation, and being in competency

tency with the Spaniard hinders him from keeping an Ambassadour in the Imperiall Court. His last Agent was forced to retire himselfe thence.

The King of Great Brittsine hath an Agent with his

Imperiall Viajesty.

The State of Venice have heretofore had an Ambassa-dour in the Imperiall Court, but since the disference about style and title, betwixt the Spannish Ambassadour, the Count d'Onnste and Signior Pietro Gritti, Ambassadour of Venice, some thirty yeares since; there hath beene no ordinary Ambassadour from the State of Venice in the Imperiall Court: but they have their Agent, who was invited not long since to dispose the Republique, to send againe an ordinary Ambassadour to the Imperiall Court, with proffer to receive him with the like honour as is given to Ambassadours of Kings.

The great Duke of Tuscany three yeeres fince had likewise his Ambassadour there, who was received with the Title of Ambassadour at the Imperials Court, and equal honour with the Ambassadour of Brussels. But

now he hath onely a Secretary at Vienna.

The Duke of Savoy hath for a long time fent no Ambaffadour to the Imperiall Court, because he pretends

precedency, before the great Duke of Tuscany.

The Electors, Princes, & States, of the Roman Empire have some their Residents, and others their Agents, negotiating their affaires in the Imperiall Court, but when their happens any thing of moment or difficulty they send their Ambassadours to his Imperall Majesty.

The Popes Nuncio takes the first place in the Courtbefore all other Ambassadours, and before the Princes of the Empire then present. After him the spanish

Ambassadour claimes and pretends precedency.

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## STATE OF THE IMPERIALL-COVRT

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#### FERDINAND THE SECOND.

Wherein is treated.

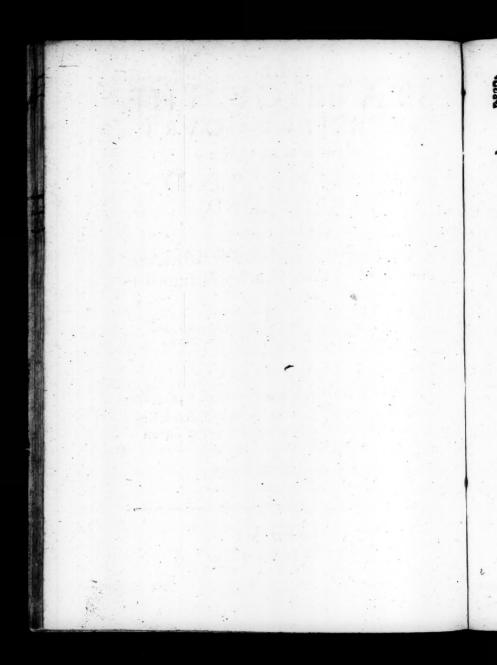
Of all higher and lower Officers, and Ministers, Privy Counsellors, Imperiall Court, Court-chamber, Court-Millitary, Hungarian Bohemian, Austrian, and divers other such like Imperial and Royall Court-Councellors, and Court dispatches, of the severall Chanceries and of their Officers.

And principally,

Of the severall Iurisdictions of the foure chiefe Court Officers: Of Ambassadours, Refidents, and Agents, Artificers, Tradesmen and Musicians of the Court, &c.

As it was MDC. XXXVI.

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#### The High Steward of the Court.

#### THe L. Leonard Hellfried, Count of Megam, &c.

#### The Cabinet Counsellours.

THe L. Francis, Cardinall and Prince of Dietrichstein, Bishop of Olmutz in Moravia.

The L. Anthony, Prince and Bishop of Vienna, Abbot

of Crembsmunster.

The L. Leohard Hellfned, Count of Megan, high Steward of the Imperiall Court.

The L. Maximilian Count Trantman florff, high Ste-

ward to K. Ferdinand the third.

The L. Iohn Ernest Fugger, Count of Kerchburg and Weissenhorne, Knight, President of the Imperial Court-Counsell.

The L. Ignatius, Abbot of Lilienfield, President of the

Imperiall Court-chamber.

The L. Henry Schlicke, Count of Parsaw, and Weisenkirhen, President of the Imperial Court-counsell of warre,

The L. Iohn Baptist, Count of Werdenberg, Chancellour

of the Imperial: Court.

The L. Wolgang, Count and Lord of Mansfelt, Imperiall Counsellour of the warre, and Governour of Raab in Hungary.

The L. George Lippai of Zombor, Bishop of Vesperin,

Chancellour of the Hungarian Counfell.

The L. William Count of Schlavata, high Chancellour of the Kingdome of Bohemia.

The

The L. Francis Christopher Khevenhiller, Count of Frankenberg, high Steward of the Court of the Queene of Hungary.

The L. Inlins Neidhard, Count of Noersburg.

The L. Peter Henry of Stralendorff, Baron, Vice-chancellour of the Sacred Roman Empire.

The L. Sigfrid Christopher Preuner Baron , Lieutenant

of Lower Auftria.

The High Chamberlaine.

The Lord Iohn Iacob Khiefel, Count of Gotsher.

The high Ma shall of the Court.

The Lord Leonhard Helfried, Count of Harrach.

The high Master of the Horse.

The Lord Bruno, Count and Lord of Mansfelt.

The Lords of the Emperours chamber in ordinary are the fe following.

THE L. Iohn Christopher of Paar Baron; generall Post-master for the Court.

Wentzel Count of Wurben.
Charles Count of Portia.
Georg Achat C. of Losenstein.
Szywa Count of Wurben.
Frederick Cou. of Caveriani.
Hierome Co. of Montecuculi.
Montauto Co. of Montacut.
George Barthol. Khiel C. &c.
Frederick Co. of Atomos.

Vratislans Co. of Furstenberg.
Francis Co. of Picolominis.
Iohn Co. of Swartzenberg.
Wolf Engelbrecht Co. of Awersberg.
Diolate Co. of Conossa.
Simon Lewis Co. of Dietrichstein.
Iohn Count of Transson.
George Ehrnrich C. of Transmanstorf.
Adam Co. of Budiani.
Adam Count Forgats.

Iulius

Inline C. of Salm.

Barons.

Gabriel Ardedi Free-baron.

Iohn Sigismund Gayler Free-baron.

Dionise Setsby Free-baron.

Stanislane Potaizi Wolfskie
Free-baron.

Iacob di Negro Free-baron.

William of Tedenbach Free-b.

Christopher of Ebiswald Freebaron.

Iohn Maximilian Free-baron of Lamberg.

Peter Ernest of Molar Freebaron.

Iohn George Free-baron of Herberstein.

Christopher Free-b. Teufel.

Rodotf Free-baron of Paar.

These following of his Imperial Majesties chamber extraordinary, are all either Princes, Earles or Lords.

Rince Christian of Anhalt. Iohn Caspar Master of the Teutonick Order, Prince of Mergetheim. Iules Henry Duke of Saxen Lawenburg: Collonel. Rodolf Maximilian Duke of Saxen Lawenburg, Collonel. Francis Albert Duke of Saxen Lawenburg, Collonel. Rodolf Duke of Lignitz. Henry Wentzel Duke of Munsterberg. Maximilian Prince of Liechtenberg. Ferdinand Prin. of Cardenas. Earles. Anthony Gunther Count of

Oldenburg. Christian C. of Waldeck. Iohn Lewis C. of Naffaw. Frederick C. of Hardeck. George Lewis C. of Swartzenberg. Frederick C.of Furstenberg. William C. of Slawata. Wolfgang C. of Mantsfelt. Bruno C. of Mansfelt. Henry C. of Shlick. Maximilian C. of Dieterichftein. Francis Christopher C. Khevenhuller. Iaroflan Borzita C. of Marzin. Leonhard Hellfrid C. of Mogam. Bal-H

Balthafar C. of Maradas. Iohn C. of Naffam. George C. of Opperstorf. Matthias C. of Gallas. Michael Adolf Co. of Altheim. William Vratislaw C. of Mitrowitz. Adam Paul C. of Slamata. Maximilian C. of Wallstein. Leonhard Charles C. of Harrach. Redolf C. of Colloredo. Octavius Cc. Piccolomini. Barons. Arnold Freebaron of Peymer. Philip Husman Freebaron. Tobn Tacob Freebaron of Kufftein. Ernest Freeb. of Kollonnitsb. Ferdinand Curiz Freebaron of serftenam. Christopher Loebell Freebar. Sigfrid Christopher Preuner Freebaron. Inline Neidhard Freebaron of Moersburg. William Leopald Nothaft. Freebaron of Wehrenberg.

Gundacre Freebaron of Polbeim. Paul Palfy Freebaron. Steven Palfy Freebaron. Ernest Freebaron of Suys. Paul Iacob Freebaron of Starenberg. Rodolf Freebaron of Tieffembach. Frederic Freebaron of Thallemberg. Christopher Thouradle Freebaron. Christopher Paradiser Freebaron. Sigismund Adam Freebaron of Traun. Adam Freebar. of Wallstein. Charles Freebaron of Tzberotin. Peter Henry Freebaron of Stralendorf. Conrad Baron of Steinberg. Henry Freebar. of St. Inlian. George Teuffell Freebaron. Iohn Freebaron of the Reck. Leopold Freeb. of Stralendorf. Ioachim Adolf of Stralendorf Baron.

The Imperiall Court-counsell hath two Benches, whereof the one is called, the Bench of the Nobles, and consistent of Counts, Barons and Knights, to the number of twenty.

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The other Bench is called the Bench of the learned Counsellours; whereof are ten, most of them Doctours or Batchellours both of the civill and canon Law.

The President of this Court-counsell is Iohn Ernest

Fugger Court of Kirchberg.

Another Counsell, called the Imperial Court-chamber, consistent of seven Counsellors, which are either Freebarons, Barons, or Doctours: Ignative Abbot of Lilly-field is the President of this Counsell.

The Counsell of Warre consistent of eight Counsellours, whereof is one Duke, two Counts, and five Freebarons: and Henry Count of shick is President of this

Imperiall Military-counsell.

The Captaine of the Guard with Javelins (confisting of one hundred horse, and called Hartshier) is Don Balthasar Count de Maradas.

The Captaine of the foot, or Halberdiers, is Philip Count of Mansfelt, and this Guard confisteth also of one

hundred men.

The Master of the Staffe, or the Imperial Officer, who bearing a blacke rod, ushereth the meat which is carried to the Imperial table, commonly called Stabmaster, is Diodato Count de Conossa.

Bruno Count of Mansfelt is now both Master Falkner and Huntsman; the two offices of the high Hunter and

high Falkner.

The generall Postmaster is Iohn Christopher Freebaron

of Paar.

ounder.

At the Imperiall Court are alwaies as Counsellors for the affaires of Hungaria, George Lippai Bishop of Vesperia, Court-chancellour for that Kingdome, and Thomas Mikulich of Brukonoz Counsellour of that Kingdome, and Lieutenant of the Kings personall presence in judgment.

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In like manner are Counsellours for the affaires of Bobenia: Namely, William Count of Slewara supreme Chancellour, and Adam Libstentzkie of Rolobrat, Freebaron and Vice-chancellour of Bohemia.

After the supreme Master of the staffe or Stabmaster,

follow the ordinary Court offices: in which are

Three Cup-bearers: the eldest whereof at this time

is an Earle, the other are Barons.

There are two Masters (called Chamberlains) of the plate, whereof the first Chamberlain is *lohn George*, Freebaron of *Herberstein*. The second or under Chamberlaine is *Laurence* Lord of *Huttendorf*.

The chiefe Master of the Kitchin is Theodore Hartman

of Charftein.

#### Ecclesiasticke persons.

Ather William Lamermain lesuit, Imperiall confessour: and Counsellour of his Imperiall Majesties conscience.

Two Court Preachers, one for the German, the other for the Italian.

Paul Knor of Rosenroth, chiese Chaplaine of the Court, and great Almoner. There are feven other Court-chaplaines.

An Imperiall Librarykeeper.

An Imperial Historian.
And there was one, but
now is no Mathematician
to his Imperial Majesty.

The Treasurer is Nicho-

las Churland.

Court Physicians of his Imperiall Majesty are five.

Refidents and Agents, now present at the Imperiall Court, are

Por the King of spaine, negociates also for Bruf-

Mounfier

Monnsier de Scarbonniere, Agent for the K. of France, did of late negotiate at the Imperiall Court at Vienva, but a few months fince he was not onely prohibited, but in a few daies commanded, totally to leave the City.

The Agent for the Qu. Mother, Mounfier Roverie, is returned to his Queene.

The King of England his Agent M'. Iohn Taylor.

The K. of Polands Agent,

Monns. Gibboni.

The Agent for the Republick of Venice, Iohn Bap. tist Balderino.

Ot Savoy, Odaviss Belogne e.

Of the Republicke of Genna, Peter Panicall.

The D. of Mantus hath no body at the Imperia'l Court.

The D. of Modena negociates his affaires by anothers Agent.

#### Vader the High Stewards Intifdiction

Ne Controller. One Cofferer, called Fenning-master. One Hushier. Five Heralds. One chiefe furveyor of the

Tapestry. Two Porters of the great chamber. One fervant of the Closer. Three fervants for the Plate.

#### idadi oda The Court kitching more and

Ne Cooke for the boyled meat. month. Six Master-cookes. Ten Under-cookes. Two Bafters, or Rofters. Two helpers, or affiltants. Two Broth-cookes, or for

Two helpers, or boylers. Eight Kitchin-boyes. Two Kitchin-porters. One Kitchin dore-keeper. One Woodman or cleaver of the wood.

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The Court Cellar.

Ne Court Cellarman called chiefe Butler.

One clerke of the Cellar.

Two fervants of the cellar. Three coopers of the cellar.

Two children of the cellar.

The Court Larder.

Ne Kitchin clerke. Two Purvevers. Two keepers of the meat.

Two carriers or porters. One Court burcher. One Chandler.

Table Coverers.

Wo chiefe coverers of the free Tables. Two chamber table-coverers.

Two preparers or coverers of the Lords and Gentle-

men waiters table. One coverer of the Pages Table. Two coverers of the Officerstables.

Cadrio satviole Landreffes.

body.

Ne Landresse for the One for the table; One for the mouth. One for the Kitchin.

> The high Chamberlaine bis jurisdiction, or, these which ferme in the Chamber.

chamber. Two chamber doore-kee- Foure Guards of the champers.

Enne servants of the One fire-maker for the froves.

ber vulgo Trebenten.

One

One chiefe lester named Three other jesters or tomas Schissel.

Offices subjett to the high Marshall of the Court his Iurisdiction.

Ne Court Quartermafter.
One Secretary of the high
Marshals Court.
Six Harbingers, vulgarly
called Furriers of the
Court.
Three Messengers, vulgarly called Einspanninger,
serving on horse-backe.
Two grards of the office

Two guards of the office vulgarly called Marshals Trabanten.

Two Court Chirurgions.

All Agents in the Imperial Court of the Electours, Princes and States of the Sacred Roman Empire.

All and every Court negociatours, artificers and tradefinen, the number of them exceeds one hundred and fifty.

All the free Iewes of the Court.

One Lieutenant of the cheffe, vulgarly Provost. One Sergeant.

One Kettle-drummer, vul-

Vinder the chiefe master of the Horse his jurisdiction, are

Twenty Imperial Pages of honour, with their governour and tutor.
One Master Avenor.
One clerke of the Avery.
Two Horse-riders.
Two Colt-breakers, vulgarly called Pastin and Klepper-riders.
One Overseer.
Foureteene Court Trumpetters.

garly Heerpaucker.
One Master Fencer.
One charger of pieces, vulgarly called Buchsenspanner, who prepares the Guns to be discharged.
Two yeomen of the stir-

rop.
Two black or horsesmiths.
Sixteene Footmen.
One Tentmaker-

One.

One Master of the Coaches. topics. One Master of the Litters. One Sadler for the Court-Stables. One Boot-cleanfer. Eight and twenty Grooms or Horse-keepers in the Spannish stable.

Six and twenty Groomes or Horse-keepers in the stable for hunting nags, Ten servants of the Litters. Two Coach-men of the

Emperours Coach. Foure and swenty Court Coach-men.

Six and twenty Postillons Six boyes of the Stable.

Ninty great faddle Horfes, fit for warre, and warlike exercifes.

Fourescore amblers, and hunting Horses for the Emperours person.

Threescore Coach-horses. Two and twenty Mules.

Vader the Captaine of the Horse guard, are these Officers.

A Lieutenant. A chiefe Furrier. An inferiour Harbinger. One hundredHartshiers or Horsemen.

Three Trumpetters. One Chirurgion. One Black-smith. One fervant of the Guard.

Vader the Captaine of the Foot guard, are thefe.

Ne Gentleman harbinger. One under Harbinger. One hundred Souldiers, (called Trabanten) with

Holbards. One Drummer. One Fifer.

One servant of the Guard.

Thefe following persons are join'd as Commissioners to the Imperial Privy Counsell.

He Baron of Questenberg, Commissioner for Italian and Bohemian affaires.

D. Influs

D. Influs Gebhard Counsellor of the Imperial Court, and commissioner in matters concerning the last Treaty of Prag.

Matthias Arnoldin, of Clarstein Counsellour of the Im-

periall Court and principall Secretary of State.

D. Iohn Soldner Counsellor of the Imperial Court, and Secretary of the Imperial Court-counsell.

Now followeth the severall Chambers of the Court Chancery.

The chamber for the Dispatches of the Privy-counfell, whereof are Matthias Arnold of Clarstein, before mentioned; and also D. John Soldner a civilian, &c.

These have their owne clerkes and servants expediting the dispatches, and if they need more, they use the

help of the clerks of the Imperiall chancery.

The chamber of the Imperiall Court-chancery for the affaires of Germany.

A Lthough D. Iohn Soldner is Counsellour of the Imperiall Court, and hath in the said counsell his owne voice and ordinary vote, and being most commonly busied in more secret dispatches, for which cause Paul Thomas (who is otherwise an Inditer of the Imperiall Court chancery) serveth in his stead in the said Court Imperiall counsell for enrolling: Neverthelesse the direction of the court Dispatches in the Empire remaine still in his hands.

Bartholomew Immerdorffer Imperiall counsellour, Fis-

cal or Court-receiver.

George Frisinger Imperiall Counsellor and Taxer for the dispatches.

George Dieterlin Register of the Court of chancery.

Fra. Katsemajer Vice-secretary of the Court-chancery.

I Christopher

Christopher Switzer enroller of the Court-chancery. Foureteene clerkes and ingrossers.
One servant of the Chancery.

The Chamber of the Latin dispatch of the Imperial Court-counsell.

Tohn Walderode Imperiall Foure clerkes and ingroff-Counfellor and Secretary of the Imperiall. One keeper of this Chan-Court counfell. cery chamber.

The Chamber of the dispatches of the Court chamber.

Bartholomen Shoellhard Imperiall Counsellor and Commissioner or Referendarius of the Court-

chamber.
There are three Secretaries of this Court-chamber.

These Dispatches chiefely concerne confiscated goods and now belong to the Confiscation Counsell, wherein the principall Commissioners, are

The Bishop of Vienna.
The Abbot of Lilienseld, and
The Count of Schlick.
Item one Register.
One affistant to the Register.
One Dispatcher of the
Court chamber.

Seven Inditers.
Nine Clerkes.
Five fervants of the Court chamber.
One Dorekeeper of the Court counfell chamber.

One Affistant.

One Messenger of the Court chamber.

The Chamber of the Malitary Court Counsellsor Counsell of warre.

There are of this Counfell foure Secretaries.
One Register.
One Assistant to him.

One Dispatcher.
One Assistant to him.
Six Clerkes.
One porter or dorekeper.

The Chamber of the Court Marfash office.

L Forhard Fleurer Imperial Counsellor, and Secretary of that office. He hath his owne clerkes and fervants.

In matters of consequence there are joyn'd to him

by the Court Markall fome Counfellors of the Imperiall Court, with the Fiscall of the same court.

Two Guards of the Court

Two Guards of the Cour Marshals office.

Of the Hungarian Counsell Chamber, are

Aurence Ferenskie Counfellor both to the Emperour, and to the King of Hungaria; and Secrettary of the Hungarian

Counsell.
One Taxer for the Dispatches.
One Register, and
Two Clerkes.

Of the Bobemian Counfel-chamber, are

Eorge Freisleben Counfellor both to the Emperour, and to the K. of Hungaria, &c. and Secretary of the Bohemian Counfell. Wolf Henig Taxer and Register of both the Counsels of Germany and Bohemia. One dispatcher. Two Inditers. Six Clerkes; the yongest whereof is alwaies oblig'd to be Porter.

The Chamber of the Court Counsell of Austria.

The Counfell & Chancery of the Archdutchy of Austria is commanded by Iohn Baptista Count of Werdenberg. It hath two Secretaries.
One Register and Taxer.
One Inditer.
One Dispatcher.
Five Clerkes.
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The Imperiall Court Mufiche.

ONe Mafter of the Court-chappell.
Two Organists.

Twenty Instrumental Musicians.

#### Vocall Musicians.

Seven Bases.
Seven Tenors.
Five Altus.
Foure Descants.
Eleven Musicall Trumpetters.
Three Trumpetters not Musicall.

One Kettle Drummer.

Item twelve boyes and fchollers with a Master.

One Notist.

One keeper of the instruments.

One Instrument maker.

Two instrumental servants.

Besides these there are of the Imperial Musicke, and belonging thereto in number about sourcescore persons.



## ORDINARY STATE

of the Court of her Imperiall Majesty of the Roman Empresse, ELENORA, &c. Borne Duchesse of Mantova and Monferrat, &c.

How the fame was kept, and ferved by all high and low Officers, Ladies, Mayds of honour, Gentlewomen, Mayds, and Servants.

> In the Imperiall residence at Vienna, in the last yeere. 1636.



Aximilian Prince of Dietrichstein is high Steward of the Court of the Empresse.

Lady Vrfula, Counteffe of Atomos Shee high Steward of the Court.

Lady Agnes Countesse of Farensbach, is Governante of the Court Ladies.

The Ladies or Mayds of honour of the Roman Empresse, are thirteene; being all Mayds, and daughters to Earles.

Vrban Freebaron of Poinig is Steward of the Court of the Archdutcheffe of Austria, the Lady Cecilia Renata, fecond daughter to the Emperour.

Margaret Baronesse of Heberstein is Governance of her Court: She hath but foure Ladies or Mayds of honour, all daughters to Earles and Barons.

Servants and Officers of the Empresse ber Court.

One of the Guard. Ne German Secretary. One Italian Secretary. One Confessour. Three Court-Chaplaines. Afterwards. Six fervants of the Chamber. One Wardrobekeeper. One Taylor. One Apothecary. Two of the Cellar. One dore-keeper of the chamber. One fire-maker of the chamber. One porter of the great chamber. Two guards of the chamber

Two cookes. One footman. One coverer of the Ladies tables. Two coverers for the rebles of the chamberers and mayds. Six Taylors for the maids. Item fix Chamber-maids. Two other mayd-fervants. One mistresse Womancooke. One inferiour Shee-cook. Nine Ladies Waiting-women. One Chamber-woman. One Landresse for the Ladies.



# STATE OF THE COVRT of the Archduke Leopald William

of Austria; the Emperours second sonne.



Ebastian Bishop of Gurch, Privy Counsellor both to the Emperour and to the Archduke Leopald William, is also this Archdukes high Steward and Chamberlain.

Three Privy Counfellors, whereof the last is a Iesuite, and his Confessour, the two others are Freebarons.

John Iacob of Daun, Knight of the Teutonick order, is Master of his horse.

There are five Gentlemen of his chamber, the one being an Earle, and the foure others all Freebarons.

George Pacher Imperiall Counsellor for Lower Anfiria, is his Court-chancellor.

One Doctor of Physick, by name, Leonhard Mulgiesser. Michael Ottho Bishop, Secretary.

Officers of his Chancery.

One Expeditor or Two Clerkes.

One Affistant.
One servant or chamber-keeper.

Besides.

There are fourteene Pages all children to Freebarons, Lords and Gentlemen of quality.
Six Groomes, or fervants of his Bedchamber.
Six Footmen.
Other officers and fervants that waite on him, are (as it were) borrowed of the Emperours Court.

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## CATALOGVE

OF THE

PRINCES, ELECTORS, and States of the Sacred German Empire.

Anno M. DC. XXXVI.

The Electors of the Sacred Roman Empire.

Ecclesiastickes.



HE Archbishop of Meniz, Arch-chancellor of the Sacred Roman Empire through Germany.

The Archbishop of Collen, Archchancellor of the sacred Roman Empire for Italie.

The Archbishop of Tryer Archchancellor of the sacred

Roman Empire tor France, and Arelate.

Secular Electors.

He King of Bohemia, Arch-cupbearer of the Sacred Roman Empire.

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The Count Palatine of the Rhine, Arch- Sewer of the Sacred Roman Empire.

The Duke of Saxony, Arch-Marshall of the Sacred

Roman Empire.

The Marquisse of Brandenburg, Arch-Chamberlain of the Sacred Roman Empire.

The Archbishops of the Sacred Roman Empire.

Entz. Riven. Poffam. Collen. Constance. Paderborne. Chur, or Coire Ratzenburg Tryer. Magdenburg. Regensburg, or Cammerach. Ratisbonne. Saltzburg. Freyfingem. Strasburg. Hillesbeim. Bremen. Ha'berftat. Schwerin. The Bishors. Liege. Spire. Ausburg. Lubech. Tryer. Aichfat. Munster. Verdun. Bramberg. Minden. Wartzburg. O (nabrug. Basel. Worms.

The three Bishopricks of Metz, Theul, and Verdun were taken from the Roman Empire by the Kings of

France, and are detained to this day.

The master of the Teuronicke order, Prince of Mergetheim, is indeed no Bilhop but an Ecclefiasticke Prince of the Empire, and takes the first place after the Bishops.

The fecular Princes of the Sacred Roman Empire.

Nhalt, Princes. Baden, Marquiffes. Bavaria, Dukes. By Rhine, Palgravess. Brunswick and Lunenburg, Holstein, Dukes. Dukes. Heffen, Landgraves. Brandenburg, Marquesses. Lorraine, Dukes.

Leuch-

Meckelburg, Dukes.

Oftereich or Auftrian, Arch- Savoy, Dukes. dukes of the German, others of the Burgundian

line.

Pomerania, Dukes.

Saxonia, Gullick, Cleveland, and Bergen, Dukes.

Leuchtenburg, Landgraves. Saxonia of Engem and Westfalia, Dukes.

Wirtenberg, Dukes.

The Lithuanian and Ratzivilian, are also received amongst them and put in the number of the Princes of the Empire.

The Abbots, Priors, and Prelates.

Orvey. Elwangen.

Elchingen. Fulda.

Gengenbach. Hirshfelt.

Keysersheim.

Kempten. Merchthall.

Munchrot. Murbaco.

Munster in the

Gregorian vale. Oxenhausen.

Odenheim.

Petershansen.

Rittershausen.

Reckenburg. Richenaw.

S. Emmeran at Ratisbonne.

Salman wile. Shluffenried.

S. Vlrick in Augf-

burg. S. Cornelius Mun-

fter. Stabel

Vefin or Irfee.

V (perg. Weingarten. Wettenhausen.

Wenden ..

Abbateffes.

Vcham on the Lake called

Federsea.

Effen. Guttentzel.

Gerenroda.

Hervord.

Heggenbach. Lindaw.

The Vpper Munster in Ratisbonne.

The Lower Munfter at Ratisbonne.

Quedlingburg.

Rottenmunster.

The Earles of the Sacred Roman Empire.

Q Arbey and Muhlingen.

Bentheim. Bruckhorft. Castell. Erbich.

Eberftein. Eurstenberg. Falkenstein. Hohenloe.

Hanam of Muntzenberg.

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Hanam.

Hanaw, of Liech. Oldemburg. Monifert. tenberg. Mandershied. Oetingen. Nassaw Catzenelen-Ortemburg. Isenburg. Ruepfen. bogen. Lippa. Nasjaw Sarbrucken Lewenstein. Solms. Leyningen. Sultz. Neumar. Mansfelt. Ostfriesland. Sayn.

#### The foure Counts of the Empire.

Schumburg. Tubingen. of the Rhine.

Schumburg. Waldeck. Wied.

Schwartzenberg. Wildt and Count

Freebarons, Barons and Lords of the Sacred Roman Empire.

of the Sacred tenberg. Leckenstein. Roman Empire. Wallburg, heredi-Fugger. Griechingen. Maxelrein. tary Sewer of Pappenheim, herethe Sacred Ro-Graveneg. Hohen Geroldfegg. ditary Marshall man Empire. Wolfstein. of the Sacred Hohenfels. Konigsegg of Au-Winnenberg and Roman Empire. Reuffen of Plamen. lendorf and Mar-Peil fein. Senisheim. Waldhotten of Paffetten. (enheim. Limburg, heredi-Sheenburg. tary Cuphearer Schenck of Trant-

#### The Cities of the Sacred Roman Empire.

A Ach, or Aaken.

Augsburg.

Buchaw, on the lake cald Federsea.

Biberach.

Bingen.

Buchborn.

Bopfingen.

Constance on the Lake called Bodensea.

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Colmar. Hall in Swaben. Rotweil. Reutlingen. Collen on the Rhine. Hagenaw. Ravensburg. Ilna. Cammerich. Rotenburg on the Dinkelspiel. Kaufbeuren. Key fersberg. Tauber. Dortmund. Donawert, which Rosheim. Kempten. Landam. Strasburg. at this day en-Leutkirchen. joyes not the Spire. Lindaw. liberties of an Sweinfurt. Schletstat. Imperiall City, Lubec. but is detained Munster in the Turckheim. Gregorian vale. Weinsheim. by the House of Bavaria, but is Weissenburg in Mulhausen in Tuto be restored. ringia. Nortgam. Memmingen. Esligen. Wangen. Francfurt on the Norimberg. Weill. Nordlingen. Maine. Wimpfen. Nordhausen in Tu-Weissenburgon the Fridberg. Goffar. ringia. Rhine. Gemund in Swa-Offenburg. Worms. Oberenkeim. ben. Weizler. Pfullendorff. Giengen. Vlme. Giengenbach. Popfingen. Vberlingen. Hervorden. Regensburg or Ra-Zellon Hammer (-Hailbrun. tisbone. bach.



## RELATION OF THE present State of the Imperiall

Chamber of the Sacred Roman Empire, at spire.

Anno M. DC. XXXVI.

Me Indge of the Imperial Chamber.

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One Affessour for the Electour of Meniz.

One Affessour for the Electour of Collen.

One Affessour for the Electour of Tryer.

1 wo extraordinary Affessions of the Ecclesiastick Electours.

One Assessor for the Electour Palatine.

One Affessour for the Electour of Saxony.

One Assessour for the E-lectour of Brandenburg.

Two extraordinary Affessions for the secular Elechours.

Two Austrian Assessours.
Two Burgundian Assessours.

Foure Affessours for the Circle of Franconia.

Foure Affessours for the Circle of Bavaria.

Foure Aff flours for the Circle of Swaben.

Foure Assessor the Upper Circle of the Rhine, two places whereof are now voyd.

Foure Affessours of the Lower Circle of the Rhine, all which places are now voyd.

Foure Affessours for the Circle

Circle of Saxony.

One Fiscal advocate being a Doctour in Law.

Fourteene Advocates, all

Doctours of Law.

One Fiscall Procuratour Doctour of both lawes.

Two and twenty procuratours, all Doctours and Licenciats in Law.

One chiefe superintendent of the Chancery, Doctour of both lawes.

Three Protonotaries, the first and second places whereof are now voyd.

Foure Readers.
One Fiscall Notary.

One Register. Foure Notaries.

One Master of the Messengers.

One Physician. Two Sergeants. One receiver of the chan-

cery.

Foure Engrossers.

Two Copiers.

One keeper of the Chancery chamber.

Tenne Messengers of the Chancery, that serve on horse-backe.

Ten Foot-posts or Messengers serving on foot-



A Catalogue of all fuch persons, which by his Imperiall Majesty (during the time of his raigne) have been created Princes, Earles, Barons or Lords.

And first he created Princes of the Empire.



of Schaumburg, Prince. Iohn George Count of Ho-

hen-zoler of VVoldstein.

Francis and Maximilian of Dieterichstein.

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Philip Ottho Count of the Rhine.

Stepho Adelbert of Lobcowitz.

Albert Duke of Fridland.

Princes and Marquisses of the Roman Empire.

Peter Aldobrandia Marquis.
Fabritius Caraffa Prince.
Charles Spinelli Marquis.
Anthony Biglio Marquis.
Charles Emanuel of Gore
Prince.
Charles Philibert of Efte
Prince.
Ludwig Vidorius Marquis.
Ierome Caraffa Marquis of

Monte-negro, Prince.
Count of Contecroy Prince.
Charles of Cardenas Prince.
Paul Ierome Marquis.
Anthony Bishop of Vienna
Prince.
George Ossilimius in Tenzin Prince.
Albert Altovite Marquis.
Thomas Raygio Marquis.

Follow the new created Earles or Counts of the Empire.

He Freebarons of Buchaim, now Earles.

The Freebaron of Nachot. The Barons of Meggaw.

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The Baron of Bronkorft. The Baron of Geraldine. The Lord Michae. Those of Tilly. Those of Mittrowitz. Maximilian of Irautmanstorf. The Baron of Lofenstein. Iohn Iacob Kiffell. Balthalar of Thanhaulen. N. of Taxis. Sdenko ot Shambach. Sefgma of VVriby. Baron Rodrigo Barragan. Is par Bernhard of Rechberg. Those of VV aldeck. Herman Thermi. The two brothers of Crat-

Burian Bercha.

Adam Erdman Terzka.

VVilliam Verdugo.

Paul Andrew of Wolkenstein.

Henry Erbtruchsas, Freebaron of VValdpurg.

VVilliam of Mihinitz.

Iohn Iacob Erbtruchsas.

Gotfrid Henry of Pappenheim.

VVentzel of VVurben.

Those of VVrzowitz.

Rodolf Tertzka.

VVoldemar Christian of Holstein.

Theodoric and Iohn Andrew

of Aur perg. Philip Adam of Cronberg. Charles Christopher of Brandftein. The Dorrings. V.Villiam of Clenowa. N. of Konig fegg. N. of Atthimis. Iohn Balthafar & Sigismund Ludovic of Dieterichstein. Ladistans of VValdstein. Henry Holka. Iohn Altringer. Iohn Charles of Schonburg. Ioachim of Mettich. Iobn Ludovic I(olani. Those of Wolken Gein. Adolph and Charles of Puchaim. Nicolas des Fours. Iacob Kuen. The Hutzfeldes. Francis of Vlefelt. Iehn Goetz. Iohn of Ligniville. Theodore Trivultius. Francis and Baptifta Cre-Centii. Charles of Gaulz. laceb Strozzi. Iohn Baptista of Verdenberg. Henry de Ravero.

Sdence of Collobrat.

Paul

Donbof.

Paul Bernhard of Fontaines. Vincent Cavalli. Martin and Georg Krasichi. Ioachim of Quincey.

achim Of Quincey. Lupus Walter Zapata.

These solvening were created Freebarons: called Liberi Barones.

He Virnemonds, Freebarons. Those of Reiffenberg. Those of Ulm. Of Wrzeswitz. The webers. Those of Stein. The Toettenbeckes. The Wattfen. Of sickingen. Herman Isherin. Kurtzen. Of Benzenam. Spiering. Of Closen. Of Mespelbrun. Vincent Mushinger. Of Newhaus. Otto of Noftitz. Iohn Herfan. Of Rorbach. Of Wansheim. Levis of Mortagni. Of Weichs. Rodhaubt. Vrban Shatzel. George Zdiarskie of Zdiar. Of Wurtenbach.

Of Degenfelt. Of Questenberg. Fordinand Geitzkoffer. William of Chenowa. Thomas of Lindlo. Iohn Viric Schafgotfh. Inachim of Donnersberg. Henry of Ginandis. John of Shonftein. Henry Charles of Orscalor. Of Hulman. Iohn Charles Fushs. Iohn Altringer. Those of Baumgartner, Charles of Heim. Francis Marzoni. Viric of Ronmug. Iohn of Bremd. Cornelius of Muhlen. Alexander of Vehlen. Iaspar of Gram. Of Comargo. Theodoris and Iohn Andrew of Aursperg. william and Werner of Bomgarten. John Viric and George Ehrnrich of Puri g.

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Inspar Ernest and Gerard of

Maximilian of Gallian.

John Charles, and Otto Frederick of Shonburg. Philip Hestor and Leopald of Adelshausen.

of

Of Closen
Ferdinand Rololf Lashanskie.
Henry and Christopher Adam
of Muggenthal.

Iohn Fridecick and Iohn Conftantine of Pentzenam.

Elephard Adolph of Museen-

Eterhard Adolph of Muggenthall.

Thobias of Hanbitz.

Iohn Henry Notha t.

Francis Maximilian of Billehe.

John of Reck.

George Frederic of Standing. Iacob Bre hold.

Iohn George of Seebach. Sebastin Wietz.

Ioha Gotz.

Iohn Rodolf of Bredaw.

Reinhard of Walmerode.

Iohn Christopher and Iohn

Paul of Ruppen. Luther of Buwinghausen.

Maximilian of Goltz.

Ot Paar.

Foppius and Aisema.
Iohn of Leuttersheim.

Corpus.

Iohn de Werth.

Of Reinach.

The Crasts, brothers.

Barons or Lords.

Florian, Theodorich.

Albert Clodomir Fabriani. WolfgangWilliamLaminger.

Iohn Baptist Werds.

Henry Baradas.

Christoph. Nicolas, Andrew,

Oc. Orlick.

Martin Somogie. Iohn Baptist Trecho.

Leo Groppello Medici.

Ernest of Suis.

Ioseph of Neuhaus. Ernest of Linden.

I ha of Merode.

Iohn William Arnold of

VV achtendonk. George of Gaillard.

Iohn Cerboni.

Degenhard Bertram of Lohe

in VVi (en.

Iacob Francis Bestacalda.

Matthias Gallas.

Philip and Bernhard of Areyzaga.

Francis Porta.

Adrian of Enckefort.

Ernest, Henry and Gotfrid of of Sharenberg.

Matthew of Vernier.

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